

City of Northampton

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In the Year Two Thousand and

UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OFCouncilor Jesse M. Adams, Councilor Angela D.
Plassmann, and Councilor Marianne L. LaBarge

ORDINANCE

An Ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, providing that the Code of Ordinances, City of Northampton, Massachusetts, be amended by revising section ~~174-19~~....., of said Code; providing that**Miscellaneous Fees**.....

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Northampton, in City Council assembled, as follows:

174-19
Section 1. That section of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, be amended so that such section shall read as follows:

“Section **174-19**

DELETE:

“for zoning change and”



City of Northampton, Massachusetts
ORDINANCE ACTION
REPORT FORM

This form must be submitted to Ordinance
Committee staff person (587-1210)
within 3 days of action

ORDINANCE SECTION: CHAPTER 174 §19

If Traffic Chapter 312, Identify subsection (a - g) and type of regulation (No Parking, Limited
Parking, Handicapped Zone, etc.) and Street Name or other identification of location:

MISCELLANEOUS FEES

COMMITTEE REPORTING: Ordinance Committee

Date Ordinance Referred to Committee: FEBRUARY 18, 2010

Date First Discussed in Committee: APRIL 12, 2010

Date Action Finalized by Committee
and sent to Ordinance Committee: _____

ACTION TAKEN:

_____ We recommend approval as submitted.

_____ We recommend approval with minor changes (grammatical or stylistic) as
attached.

_____ We recommend approval with substantive changes (as explained below or
attached).

Date changes submitted to
the City Solicitor for approval: _____

Explanation: _____

X We refer this out of Committee as submitted with no recommendation.

_____ We have tabled this in Committee to this date: _____

Reason: _____

_____ We recommend disapproval.

Reason: _____

Comments: _____

Date: 4/12/2010



Signature of Committee Chair or
Committee Staff Person

§ 174-19**Miscellaneous fees.**

[Amended 12-21-1995; 6-3-1999; 6-1-2000; 8-18-2005; 7-10-2008]

Miscellaneous fees are as follows:

Fee For	Amount
Elm Street Historic District determination of appropriateness, Central Business Architecture District permit application, zoning findings, zoning appeals from the Building Inspector's actions, zoning special permit and site plan review for intermediate projects (as defined in Chapter <u>350</u> of the Code)	\$200
Zoning variances, comprehensive permits, and special permit and site plan review for major projects (as defined in Chapter <u>350</u> of the Code)	\$1,000 plus \$0.05/per square foot of proposed new building square footage to be included with the permit
Petitions for zoning change and for flag lots (as defined in Chapter <u>350</u> of the Code)	\$1,000

Mary Midura

From: Carolyn Misch
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2010 10:05 AM
To: Mary Midura
Subject: PB recommendation on Citizen Petition Zoning Changes

Mary-

At its meeting on March 11, the Planning Board voted unanimously against the ordinance as written. However to facilitate citizen petition process and based on facts that \$1,000 reflects the true cost to the City for performing modifications of ordinances, the Planning Board recommends that the City Council consider other options such as including a sliding fee based on the number of signatures obtained on the petition. (EG \$1,000 for 10 signatures, free for 200 signatures)

In addition, the Planning Board recommends that language clarification be added to specify that the citizen petition fee is \$1,000 but that any zoning ordinance may be made through any councilor, public board, or department, for no fee at all.

Could you please forward on to Ordinance or full council depending upon where this is in the process?

Thanks very much,

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